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There is a great deal of real modesty in China, notwithstanding appearances to the contrary, but it cannot for a moment be doubted that there is likewise a great deal of mock modesty, both on the part of men and of women. It is very common to hear it said of some disagreeable matter, that it is wholly unmentionable, and that the parties are totally unutterable, etc., when all parties are perfectly ready to express an opinion. The very persons who use this high-toned language, would be ready enough to employ the foulest expressions of vituperation, whenever they were excited by anger. False modesty is matched by a false sympathy, which consists of empty words, but for this the Chinese are not to blame, as they have no adequate material out of which sympathy for others can be developed in any considerable quantities, and for any length of time. Empty sympathy is not so repugnant to the Chinese taste, as that mockery of sympathy and of all true feeling, which contemplates death with a boisterous merriment. Mr. Haber mentions a Szechuan coolie, who burst into a delighted laugh at the spectacle of two dogs devouring a corpse on the tow-path. Mr. Meadows tells us that his Chinese teacher laughed till he held his sides, at the amusing death of his most constant companion. It is no explanation of these strange exhibitions often observed in the case of parents at the death of children of whom they were fond, that long grief, and a wide distinction between grief and grief, and that rude mockery of natural feeling, which offends the instincts of mankind. It is, as we have often had occasion to remark, several hundred years since foreigners began to have commercial relations with the Chinese. There have been multiplied testimonies to the business honesty of those with whom these relations have been held. Without generalising to a degree which might be precarious, it is safe to say that there must be a good basis for testimonies of this kind. As a specimen of what these testimonies are, we may quote the words of Mr. Ewen Cameron, manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, on the recent occasion of his farewell to Shanghai, "I have referred to the high commercial standing of the foreign community. The Chinese are in no way behind us ourselves in that respect, in fact, I know of no people in the world I would sooner trust than the Chinese merchant and banker. Of course there are exceptions to every rule, but to show that I have good reasons for making such a strong statement, I may mention that for the last twenty-five years the Bank has been doing a very large business with Chinese of millions of taels, and we have never yet met with a defalcation of a Chinaman." Whether there is an essential difference between Chinese business as conducted by wholesale and that by retail, we have no means of knowing. But without abating in the least from the value of the testimonies to which reference has been made, it is a fair question whether a large part of results noted are not due to the admirable system of mutual responsibility already described, a system which western nations would do well to imitate. It is only natural that foreigners doing business with the Chinese should avail themselves to the fullest extent of such commercial safeguards as exist, and for such results as are thus attained the Chinese are unquestionably entitled to the fullest credit. Yet after all such acknowledgments are made, it remains true, as testified by a vast array of witnesses and by wide and long observation, that the commerce of the Chinese is a gigantic example of the national insincerity. An interesting essay has been written by one who knew of what he was affirming, the Chinese process by which in ordinary trade the Chinese each succeed in cheating the other. "The relation of two such individuals is generally the relation of two such individuals as Jacob and Laban, or as the Chinese phrase runs, it is the iron brush meeting the grass-wash-dish. It is a popular proverb that to put a lad into trade, is to ruin him. False weights, false measures, false currency, and false goods, are phenomena from which it is very difficult to escape in China. Even in the great establishments which put up conspicuous signs, notifying the public that they will here find 'genuine goods, prices real,' positively no two 'prices' of the same thing can be taken as corresponding to the surface seeming. We by no means intend to affirm such a proposition as that there is no honesty to be found in China, but only that so far as our experience and observation go, it is literally impossible to be sure of finding it anywhere. How can it be otherwise with a people who have so little regard for truth? A well dressed scholar who meets a foreigner, does not hesitate to affirm, in reply to a question, that he cannot read, and then when a little book has been handed him to look at, he does not hesitate to sink away in a crowd without paying the least heed to the book which is the cost. He has no sense of shame at such a proceeding, but rather a thrill of joy that he has circumvented the silly foreigner, who has so little astuteness as to trust a total stranger. It is very common for a man who is buying from a foreigner to give a cash less than the proper amount, alleging that he has not another cash with him. When he is informed that there is one in his ear at the moment, he takes it out with reluctance, feeling that he has been defrauded. In like manner a man who has spent an odd half day in trying to get something free of cost, on the ground that he is totally without money, will at the last draw forth a string of a thousand cash, and hand it to you with an air of melancholy, and request you to take out the proper amount. But if he is believed, and gets something for nothing, he departs with a keen joy in his heart, like that of one who has slain a serpent. — N. C. Daily News.

(To be continued.)

SCOTT'S Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites is the most valuable remedy for Consumption, Scrofula, General Debility, Wasting Diseases of Children, Chronic Cough, and Bronchitis that has ever been produced. It is very palatable; it will ease at once the most violent cough and will give both comfort and strength to the sufferer. It possesses the combined virtues of these popular remedies in their fullest form. Any Chemist can supply it. — A. S. Watson & Co. (Limited), Agents in Hongkong and China. — (Adv.)

## To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ordinary Half Yearly Meeting of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 14, Praya Central, on MONDAY, the 26th August, at 3 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, a Statement of Account to 30th June, 1889.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 12th to 26th August, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, D. GILLIES, Secretary. [1003]

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship "YANGTZE."

Captain Tonnigson will be despatched for the above Port, on SATURDAY, the 10th inst, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to, STEAMSHIP & Co. [1003]

HONGKONG, 8th August, 1889.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "PREUSSSEN."

FROM BREMEN AND PORTS OF CALL.

THE above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be landed here in Hongkong unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 A.M. TO-DAY, the 8th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 15th instant, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant, at 4 P.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 22nd inst, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by MELCHERS & Co., Agents. [1003]

Hongkong, 8th August, 1889.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE.

OF HONGKONG, No. 618, S.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above named Lodge will be held in FRANKLIN'S HALL, Zeland Street, on MONDAY, the 12th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. [1004]

Hongkong, 8th August, 1889.

WANTED.

FOR THE Hongkong Telegraph, a CAPABLE SHORT HAND REPORTER, who is a smart penman and reliable proof-reader. Apply, with full particulars, to THE EDITOR, The Hongkong Telegraph. [1004]

Hongkong, 31st July, 1889.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

T. J. CO. LAGO.

HOUSE AGENT, AUCTIONEER, SHARE-BROKER, GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANT and Proprietor of the Macao Bath-house. Bidding Tickets for sale until October 31st.

PRICES:

Season (for married couples) ..... \$7.00

Season (for single persons) ..... 1.00

Single Bath ..... 0.10

Towel ..... 0.05

Refreshments supplied on Sunday Mornings from 4 to 8 A.M.

Coffee and Biscuits ..... 15 Cents. [1000]

Macao, 7th August, 1889.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE HONGKONG KWAN YEN CHALLENGE CUP.

THE First competition for the 1st Stage, will take place next SATURDAY, the 10th August, at 3.15 P.M., under the Conditions already notified.

The entrance Fee for this stage only is 30 cents or for the two stages is 60 cents must be sent to me by 5 P.M. on FRIDAY next, the 9th instant.

The second stage will be shot off on Saturday, the 17th instant.

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Hon. Secretary, c/o Hongkong Club. [1008]

Hongkong, 3rd August, 1889.

THE EAST BORNEO PLANTING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the CALL of \$15 (FIFTEEN DOLLARS) a SHARE, due prior to the 28th February last, is now being paid, and SHAREHOLDERS are requested to pay to the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on or before the 16th day of August next, the sum due from them.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., General Agents. [1080]

Hongkong, 15th July, 1889.

THE SONGEE KO-AH PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IN accordance with the Articles of Association and Prospectus of the above Company, SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that a CALL of \$15 (FIFTEEN DOLLARS) a SHARE, is payable to the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on or before the 16th day of August next, the sum due from them.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., General Managers. [1090]

Hongkong, 15th July, 1889.

## Intimations.

A. G. GORDON & Co., LIMITED.

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held in the Company's Office, 1, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 12th August, 1889, at 4 O'CLOCK P.M.

A. G. GORDON, General Manager. [978]

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1889.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 24th day of August current, at 12 O'CLOCK Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1889.

By Order of the Court of Directors, G. E. NOBLE, Chief Manager. [971]

Hongkong, 1st August, 1889.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTER of SHAREHOLDERS of the Corporation will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 10th day of August, the 24th day of August (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors, G. E. NOBLE, Chief Manager. [972]

Hongkong, 1st August, 1889.

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Certificate of 50 Shares in this Company numbered 1293/1317, 2941/5, 10, 221, 2556, 2705/2717, 11, 31, 2437/2445, Standing in the Register in the name of Dr. A. S. GOMES, having been LOST, notice is hereby given that a New Certificate for the said 50 Shares will be issued fourteen days hence, and that the original certificate, unless produced within that period, will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

D. GILLIES, Secretary. [991]

Hongkong, 6th August, 1889.

SHANGHAI LAND INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....Tls. 1,000,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....Tls. 600,000

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

J. S. PURDON, Esq., Chairman, of Messrs. MAITLAND & Co.

H. R. HEARN, Esq., of Messrs. ALFRED DENT & Co.

E. J. HOGG, Esq.

JOHN WALTER, Esq., Manager the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

A. G. WOOD, Esq., of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

HANKERS:

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

LOANS made on MORTGAGE on LAND, BUILDINGS, &c.

PROPERTIES bought and sold.

ESTATES MANAGED and all kinds of LAND AGENCY and COMMISSION business conducted.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents. [998]

Shanghai, 19th July, 1889.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....\$5,000,000

PAID UP CAPITAL.....2,500,000

RESERVE FUND.....1,250,000

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Hon. J. J. KESWICK, Chairman.

Hon. C. P. CHATER, Managing Directors.

Vice-Chairman.

E. A. SOLOMON, Esq.

J. S. MOSES, Esq.

G. E. MICHAELSEN, Esq.

G. E. NOBLE, Esq.

LEE SING, Esq.

POON PONG, Esq.

HANKERS.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

MONEY advanced on Mortgage, on Land, and Buildings.

Properties purchased and sold.

Estates Managed and all kinds of Agency and Commission business relating to land, etc., conducted.

Full particulars can be obtained at the Company's Office, No. 5, Queen's Road Central, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary. [1032]

Victoria Buildings, Hongkong, 3rd May 1889.

THE SHARE LIST WILL CLOSE ON SATURDAY, THE 10th INSTANT, AT 1 P.M.

THE PEAK RESIDENCES, LIMITED.

INCORPORATED UNDER THE COMPANIES' ORDINANCES, 1865 to 1886.

CAPITAL.....\$250,000

DIVIDED INTO 10,000 SHARES OF \$25 EACH.

Payable \$5 on Application, \$10 on Allotment, and the balance as required in instalments of not more than \$5.

Shares taken up by the Vendors.....4,000

Shares now offered to the public.....6,000

Total.....10,000

DIRECTORS:

CHAIRMAN: JOSEPH W. NOBLE, Esq., J. JONES HUGHES, Esq., G. L. GORHAM, Esq., FUNG WA CHUN, Esq., CHEONG KAI, Esq., Joins after allotment.

Applications for Shares will be received until the 15th day of August, 1889, and must be made on the proper forms for that purpose and forwarded to the Chartered Bank of India Australia and China together with the amount payable on application.

Prospectuses and share forms may be had of the Bankers or at the Offices.

BANKERS: CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

SOLICITOR: ARTHUR BERNARD RODYK, Esq.

OFFICE (pro. tem.) 2, D'AGUIAR STREET, Hongkong, 31st July, 1889. [991]

## Intimations.

MR. HINGKEE, of HINGKEE'S HOTEL, Macao, begs respectfully to announce that he cannot undertake TO SUPPLY MEALS and REFRESHMENTS for Excursionists from Hongkong, the accommodation and resources of his Hotel being required for guests and regular boarders.

Macao, 7th August, 1889. [999]

REMOVAL.

MRS. BOHM'S PRIVATE BOARDING RESIDENCE has been REMOVED to No. 8, Queen's Road Central, opposite TELEGRAPH OFFICE.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1889. [1352]

PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the POST of SECRETARY to the above Company. Apply by LETTER to the Office of the Company.

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1889. [979]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 7 per cent. and BONUS of 2 per cent. or \$1.80 per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held this day will be payable by Cheque and to be forwarded in accordance with the instructions contained in the said forms on or before the Twenty-first day of August, 1889. The Tenders will be opened on the following day in the presence of two Directors.

If a Tender be not accepted the amount of cheque accompanying such Tender will be returned.

Payments to be made as follows: \$2 per share on tender, \$3, plus the premium, per share on receiving notice of Allotment, and the remaining \$5 one month after allotment.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 21st of August inclusive.

By Order of the Board, E. W. MAITLAND, Secretary. [997]

Dated the 7th day of August, 1889.

NOTICE.

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the CERTIFICATE for 5 SHARES in the Company numbered 3,598 to 3,602, and standing in the name of Mr. C. P. CHATER, on the register, is MISSING and that unless the said Certificate be produced and proof of Ownership lodged with the Undersigned by the 16th August, 1889, a NEW CERTIFICATE will be issued for the Shares.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. [906]

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1889.

INSURANCES.

THE STANDARD

A SCOTTISH LIFE OFFICE OF 63 YEARS STANDING, AND ONE OF THE WEALTHIEST OF THE PROVIDENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

WHEN it is remembered that a Life Assurance Contract may not fall to be fulfilled for a quarter or even half a century after being entered into, it will be readily understood how important it is to the Policyholder that the past record as well as the present management of the Office should be of the highest possible character. The Standard has a long record of past good services to refer to; its Funds, annually increasing, amount to £6,000,000; and all modern features consistent with safety have been adopted.

THE BORN COMPANY, LD., Agents, Hongkong.

LUCKEY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at CURRENT RATES.

EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co., Agents. [992]

Hongkong, 6th August, 1889.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary. [1002]

Hongkong, 1st May, 1889.

ENGINEERS, LAUNCH BUILDERS, GENERAL AND GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS, IRONMONGERS, COMMISSION AGENTS, VALUATORS, IRON and TIMBER MERCHANTS.

WORKS: BOWRINGTON, EAST POINT.

OFFICE: CORNER OF PEDDER STREET AND PRAYA.

STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED. [142]

Hongkong, 1st May, 1889.

NOTICE.

THOMAS KERR & Co.

ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS, AND CONTRACTORS.

YAU-MA-TI ENGINEERING WORKS, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 6th June, 1889. [703]

NOW READY.

"THE CORNER" IN ROPES.

A FULL REPORT in Pamphlet form of the sensational trial, POTTS v. RUSTOM-JEE, together with the history of the "Corner," and other interesting particulars.

To be obtained at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LD., Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s; Mr. W. BREWER's; the HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE Co., LD.; and direct from the Office of THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

PRICE.....FIFTY CENTS, Hongkong, 16th July, 1889.

CANTON.

THE NEW ORIENTAL HOTEL, (FORMERLY THE CANTON HOTEL), Opposite the Steamboat Company's Wharf.



## Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.  
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—182 per cent.  
premiun, buyers.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$100 per  
share, buyers.

China Traders' Insurance Company—\$81 per  
share, buyers.

North China Insurance Co., Ltd.—\$30 per share,  
buyers.

Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$140 per  
share, buyers.

Yantai Insurance Association—\$100 per  
share, buyers.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—\$150,  
per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$385 per  
share, sellers.

China Fire Insurance Company—\$85 per share,  
sellers.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$4  
per share, sellers.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.  
—\$68 per share, sellers.

China and Manila Steam Ship Company—\$137  
per share.

Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Hotel Co.—\$240 per share,  
nominal.

Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures  
—\$100.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company,  
Limited—5 per cent. div., ex. div., sellers.

Douglas Steamship Company—\$83 per share,  
sellers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$281  
per share, sellers.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$113  
per share, sellers.

Hongkong Ice Company—\$124 per share,  
sellers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited  
—\$30 per share.

Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$16 per  
share, buyers.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$22 per share,  
sellers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884, B—24 per cent.  
premium, buyers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884, C—5 per cent.  
premium, buyers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886, E—11 per cent.  
premium.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company,  
Limited—\$150 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.—\$25  
per share, nominal.

Punjab and Sindh Dyeing and Manufacturing Co.,  
Ltd.—\$28 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Company—\$189 per share, ex. div., sellers.

Tongkwin Coal Mining Co.—\$600 per share,  
sellers.

The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co.,  
Limited—210 per cent. prem., sellers.

The East British Planting Co., Limited—\$50  
per share, sellers.

The Sanyo Planting Co., Ltd.—\$50 per  
share, buyers.

Crichton & Co., Ltd.—\$40 per share, nom.

The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.

The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.  
—par, nominal.

The China-Borneo Co., Ltd.—\$50 per share,  
buyers.

The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Ltd.—  
\$18 per share, sellers.

The Green Island Cement Co. (Old issue)—\$45  
per share, buyers.

The Green Island Cement Co. (New issue)—\$14  
per share, buyers.

The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$136  
per share, buyers.

The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Ltd.—\$74  
per share, sellers.

Gro. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$30 per share,  
buyers.

The West Point Buildings Co., Ltd.—\$53 per  
share, buyers.

The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$25 per  
share, buyers.

The Labuk Planting Co., Ltd.—\$17 per share,  
buyers.

The Jebeu Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$74  
per share, sellers.

The Selama Tin Mining Co., Ltd.—\$4 per share,  
sellers.

The Shamen Hotel Co., Ltd.—\$8 per share,  
nominal.

The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$25  
per share, sellers.

## EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 3/0  
Bank Bills, on demand 3/0  
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight 3/0  
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight 3/1  
Credits at 4 months sight 3/1  
Documentary Bills, at 4 months sight 3/1

ON PARIS.—Bank Bills, on demand 82  
Credits at 4 months sight 90  
ON INDIA, T. T. 22 1/2  
On Demand 22 1/2

ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, T. T. 73  
Private, 30 days sight 73

## OPIUM MARKET—THIS DAY.

OLD MALWA, per picul \$600  
(Allowance, 200 lbs.)

NEW PATNA, (without choice) per chest \$517  
NEW PATNA, (first choice) per chest \$520

NEW PATNA, (bottom) per chest \$527  
NEW PATNA, (second choice) per chest \$525

NEW BENARAS, (without choice) per chest \$503  
NEW BENARAS, (bottom) per chest \$510

NEW PERSIAN (best quality) per picul \$550  
OLD PERSIAN (best quality) per picul \$550

OLD PERSIAN (second quality) per picul \$475

## HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(By Mr. Messrs. Geo. F. & Co.'s Register.)  
To-day.

Barometer—29.85  
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8th August, 1889.—At 4 a.m.

STATION	Barometer	Thermometer	Wind	Rain
Wanchow	30.85	80.5	SW	0.0
Taiwan	30.85	80.5	SW	0.0
Nagasaki	30.85	80.5	SW	0.0
Amoy	30.85	80.5	SW	0.0
Swatow	30.85	80.5	SW	0.0
Shanghai	30.85	80.5	SW	0.0
Hangchow	30.85	80.5	SW	0.0
Beiping	30.85	80.5	SW	0.0
Yokohama	30.85	80.5	SW	0.0
Manila	30.85	80.5	SW	0.0

The barometer has risen in Tientsin. There is not much change elsewhere. Gradients are very slight for north winds. Only, warm, and rather damp weather prevails.  
—Hawmire reduced to level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths. —Temperature in the shade in degrees, Fahrenheit. —Humidity in percentage saturation. —Direction of wind in tenths of a mile per hour. —Force of the wind according to Beaufort scale. —State of the weather. —Blue sky, detached clouds, or drizzling rain. —For a Glossary of the Abbreviations, see the back of the volume. —Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths. —W. DOWSE, Hongkong Observatory, 8th August, 1889.

## MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.  
The Messagerie Maritime Co.'s steamer *Le Capitaine*, with the French mail of 12th ultimo, left Singapore on the 7th instant at 5.30 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 13th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.  
The O. & S. S. Co.'s steamer *Gaelic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 20th ulto, left Yokohama on the 7th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 13th.

THE INDIAN MAIL.  
The steamer *Yapan*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 3rd instant, and is due here on the 9th.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.  
The Canadian Pacific steamer *Alyssinia*, with the Canadian mails, left Vancouver on Friday afternoon, the 26th ultimo, for Japan and Hongkong.

The Canadian Pacific steamer *Port Fairy*, with the Canadian mails of the 16th ultimo, left Yokohama on the 1st instant, and is due here on the 9th.

## STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s extra steamer *Nizam*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 5th instant, and is due here on the 11th.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s extra steamer *Shanghai*, from London, left Singapore on the 5th instant at 6 p.m., and is expected here on the 11th.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Ballerup*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 6th instant, and is due here on the 12th.

## Shipping.

ARRIVALS.  
PREUSSER, German steamer, 2,879, C. Pohle, 7th August, Bremen 26th June, Antwerp 29th, Southampton 30th, Genoa 8th July, Port Said 15th, Suez 16th, Aden 22nd, Colombo 30th, and Singapore 3rd August, Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.

DIOMED, British steamer, 1,270, T. Bartlett, 7th August, Liverpool, via Singapore 1st August, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

PHUQUOC, French steamer, 183, Vallin, 7th August, Haiphong 5th August, Rice.—Wing Tai.

NANTES LE HAYRE, French steamer, 1,182, Jeffrey, 8th August, Kobe 30th July, Calcutta 31st July, Rangoon 1st August.

NIERSTEN, German steamer, 760, Fretsch, 8th August, Newchwang 30th July, Beang.—Yu Wo Long.

TRIUMPH, German steamer, 674, Moos, 8th August, Whampoa 8th August, General.—Wieler & Co.

DEPARTURES.  
Dioned, British steamer, for Amoy.

Zafro, British steamer, for Amoy, &c.

Monteclaus, Italian steamer, for Singapore, &c.

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For Europe, &c., India, via Bombay.—Per *Thames*, on Saturday, the 10th instant, at 11.00 A.M.

For Straits, Colombo, Bombay, & Trieste.—Per *Orion*, on Saturday, the 10th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Yokohama, Kobe, and Nagasaki.—Per *Feiching*, on Saturday, the 10th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

## SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

## STEAMERS.

ACTIVA, German steamer, 389, Wolff, 6th Aug., Hilo 2nd August, Ballast.—Wieler & Co.

ACTIV, Danish steamer, 355, Revbeck, 4th August, Pakhoi 30th July, and Holo 3rd August, General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

ASHINGTON, German steamer, 809, Zindel, 5th August, Hilo 31st July, Ballast.—Siemssen & Co.

CHINA, German steamer, 1,093, P. Haye, 7th August, Hilo 3rd August, Ballast.—Chinese.

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO, American steamer, Wm. Ward, 2nd August, San Francisco 8th July, and Yokohama 27th Mails and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.

FAME, British steamer, 117, A. Stopani, Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

FEILUNG, British steamer, 994, Jas. Price, 7th August, Swatow 6th August, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FUSHIKI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,119, P. J. C. Franck, 6th August, Kutchinotzu 2nd August, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

GENERAL VERDER, German steamer, 1,820, M. Eichel, 31st July, Yokohama 21st July, Kobe 27th, and Nagasaki 27th, Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.

GHAEZE, British steamer, 1,764, A. Scotland, 6th August, Kobe 2nd August, Coals and General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

GOALPARA, British steamer, 1,355, E. C. Russell, 7th August, Java, and Singapore 31st July, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HAIPHONG, British steamer, 1,122, Harris, 2nd August, Foochow 30th July, Amoy 31st, and Swatow 1st August, General.—D. La-praik & Co.

KWANGLEE, Chinese steamer, 1,508, Lancaster, 7th August, Whampoa 7th August, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

MARIE, German steamer, 704, C. W. Hurdewadi, 5th August, Haiphong 3rd August, Rice.—A. R. Marty.

MENELAUS, British steamer, 1,263, R. Nelson, 4th August, Nagasaki 30th July, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

MEMNON, British steamer, 990, Dorff, 6th August, Sandakan 2nd August, General.—Captain.

MEMMUR, British steamer, 1,268, P. Helms, 5th August, Sydney, and Queensland Ports 12th July, Coals and Beech-de-mer.—Russell & Co.

MILFIELD OF WHITBY, British steamer, 1,459, Chas. Kirby, 6th August, Cardiff 21st June, Coal.—Borneo Co.

MONSON, British steam-yacht, 118, W. Judd, 28th July, Southampton 18th April, Ballast.—Captain.

NAMOA, British steamer, 863, F. D. Goddard, 1st August, Foochow 4th August, Amoy 5th, and Swatow 6th, General.—D. La-praik & Co.

ORION, Austro-Hungarian steamer, 1,833, B. Vidos, 4th August, Trieste 10th June, and Singapore 29th July, General.—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.

PAKSHI, British steamer, 835, E. F. Stovel, 5th August, Bangkok 30th July, General.—Hop Hing Hong.

TIVERTON, British steamer, 1,743, R. White, head, 15th June, put back.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

VERONA, British steamer, 1,876, Speck, 7th August, from Yokohama and Nagasaki, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

ZAFIRO, British steamer, 675, A. McCaslin, 6th August, Manila 3rd August, General.—Russell & Co.

## SAILING VESSELS.

AGNOR, American ship, 1,414, John H. Frost, 25th May, New York 28th Dec., Kerosene Oil.—Reuter, Brockmann & Co.

ALEXANDER, British ship, 1,298, J. W. Dunham, 2nd June, New York 4th Dec., Petroleum.—Order.

AMPHITRITE, German ship, 1,814, A. Bower, 1st July, Cardiff 6th March, Coal.—Order.

AUSTRALIA, British bark, 939, Wm. Harris, 11th June, Manila 31st May, Ballast.—Melchers & Co.

CHARON, American ship, 1,379, D. S. Goodell, 28th June, San Diego, Cal., 18th April, Ballast.—Russell & Co.

COMET, German ship, 1,663, R. Krippner, 21st July, Cardiff 15th March, Coals.—Melchers & Co.

CONQUEROR, American ship, 1,540, A. D. Lothrop, 17th June, Anjer 1st June, Ballast.—Reuter, Brockmann & Co.

CONSTANCE, British ship, 1,592, P. R. Tingley, 7th June, New York 28th Feb., Kerosene Oil.—Reuter, Brockmann & Co.

ERIKONING, Chinese bark, 457, Optum Examination hulk, Stonecutters' Island.—Chinese Customs.

GUSTAF OSCAR, German bark, 1,352, M. Lee, 11th July, Cardiff 15th Feb., Coal.—Melchers & Co.

HAYDN BROWN, British bark, 821, C. H. Havener, 21st July, Hilo 12th July, Ballast and Spanwood.—Captain.

HEDVIG, British bark, 376, N. S. Soderman, 3rd August, Tientsin 6th July, Bones.—Butterfield & Swire.

IRENE, American bark, 467, James W. Yates, 11th July, Newcastle, N.S.W., 10th May, Coal.—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.

ITON, French bark, 564, F. Reynier, 7th June, Honolulu 20th April, General.—Melchers & Co.

JORGE, American ship, 1,470, T. M. Rogers, 13th June, Newcastle, N.S.W., 16th April, Coals.—Butterfield & Swire.

MABEL TAYLOR, British ship, 1,298, C. E. Dusha, 2nd June, Cardiff 6th December, Coal.—Melchers & Co.

MARTHA DAVIS, American bark, 832, Pendleton, 13th June, Tientsin 28th April, Ballast.—Russell & Co.